

CONSTITUTION OF THE STUDENTS' COUNCIL

SECTION 1, OBJECTIVES --

The students of the school should learn to be self-reliant and responsible from a very young age. They should be able to make their campus life healthy and happy through self-governance. The students governance should be treated as a necessary part of a holistic approach to education.

SECTION 2 --

The Students Council will consist of different departments. They are as follows :-

- 1) Department of Culture. 2) Health Department. 3) Department of Environment.
- 4) Games Department. 5) Department of Social Work. 6) Food Department.
- 7) Court of Justice.

SECTION 3 --

Every Department will have a Secretary. He/She will be elected by all the members of the Council (all the students).

SECTION 4 --

Every Secretary will select an Assistant Secretary.

SUBSECTION a) If the elected Secretary is a boy the Assistant Secretary will be a girl and vice versa. The elected Secretary will submit the name of the Assistant Secretary to the Principal through the outgoing Teacher-in-Charge.

SUBSECTION b) Only the Court of Justice will consist of four members, two boys and two girls taken from the seniormost class.

SECTION 5 --

Every Department will have a Teacher-in-Charge as advisor.

SECTION 6 --

The formation of the Students' Council will be as follows:

- 1) Student Secretary, 2) Assistant Student Secretary, 3) Secretaries and Assistant Secretaries of the different Departments, 4) Principal, 5) Vice-Principal,
- 6) Teacher-in-Charge, 7) Teachers-in-Charge of the different Departments, 8) House Parents of the different dormitories.

SECTION 7 --

The Students' Council meeting can be called at two days' notice under normal circumstances and at a few hours' notice in emergencies.

SECTION 8 --

A Students' Council meeting will be held at least once every term.

SECTION 9 --

A General Body meeting of the Students' Council will be held in the last month of a school calender. In this meeting the Student Secretary / Assistant Secretary and the Secretary / Assistant Secretary of the other Departments will place an account of their annual activities. They will also place the accounts of their respective Departments.

SECTION 10 --

One-fourth of the voters of the Students' Council, any four members of the elected Council, the Principal or the Teacher-in-Charge or two teachers selected by either of them will form the quorum of the General Body.

SECTION 11 --

The outgoing Students' Council will recommend a list of students for the next Students' Council. This list will be forwarded to the Principal by the outgoing Teacher-in-Charge.

SUBSECTION a) This list will be put up on the Notice Board. The election of the Students' Council will have to be completed within five days from the date of the putting up of this list on the Notice Board.

SUBSECTION b) Additional nominations for the elections will be received by the outgoing Teacher-in-Charge within 24 hours of the putting up of the list on the Notice Board.

SUBSECTION c) Nominations may be withdrawn within the next 48 hours.

SECTION 12 --

Nominations for election will have to be from among the students of Class IX.

SECTION 13 --

Only students who have studied for at least two years at the school can stand for election.

SECTION 14 --

If any post is vacated in mid-term, the Students' Council will have the power to nominate a replacement.

SECTION 15 --

The newly-elected Students' Council will meet to nominate a Teacher-in-Charge within 24 hours of the election. A list consisting of three names will have to be forwarded, through the Principal, to the Teachers' Council for final selection.

SECTION 16 --

The Principal, along with the outgoing Teacher-in-Charge, will declare the list of elected members immediately after the completion of the election process.

SECTION 17 --

The fees collected from the students for the Students' Council will be the Council's only source of regular income.

SECTION 18 --

At the end of the year, the Teacher-in-Charge, along with the Student Secretary and Assistant Secretary, will submit the accounts of the Students' Council to the Principal. The Principal will form an audit group consisting of two students (one boy and one girl) from the seniormost class and one teacher not involved in the Students' Council, who will audit the accounts.

SUBSECTION a) The outgoing Teacher-in-Charge will submit the accounts to the Principal before handing over charge to the incoming Teacher-in-Charge.

SECTION 19 --

The outgoing Students' Council will hand over a list all moveable and immovable properties of the Students' Council to the newly-elected Council, who will verify and accept the said list.

SECTION 20 --

No teacher will be allowed to act as Teacher-in-Charge for more than two consecutive terms.

SECTION 21 --

The Principal, by virtue of his position, will be allowed to exercise certain special powers over the functioning of the Students' Council. He/She must discuss matters with a committee of at least three senior teachers of the school before exercising such powers.

SECTION 22 --

The primary function of the Court of Justice, when deciding on any punitive measure, will be to correct any lapse on the part of a student. Care must be taken that such punitive measures do not prove harmful to the student concerned. The Court of Justice can recommend any punitive measure for an errant student to the Principal, through the Teacher-in-Charge.

SECTION 23 --

Any member showing disrespect to the Council will be removed from the Council.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK

1. Collection of funds
2. Village survey: establishing a link between villages and the school community.
3. To take steps to help the villagers wherever necessary.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

1. To keep records of the ailments of the students
2. To take appropriate steps by consulting the Teacher-in-Charge if there is a health problem in the campus.
3. To arrange for first aid during class and games hours.
4. To arrange discussions, exhibitions etc. to make students health conscious.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

1. To keep the hostels and the school premises clean.
2. To encourage gardening as a school activity.
3. To instil environment-friendly habits in the students.

DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE

1. To arrange regular literary meetings.
2. To publish at least one wall magazine every term and one school magazine every year.